

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

ORDER NO. 3137

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served March 24, 1988

Application of CARE ACCESS, INC.,)
for a Certificate of Public)
Convenience and Necessity to)
Conduct Special Operations)

Case No. AP-88-07

By application filed March 7, 1988, Care Access, Inc. ("Care Access" or "applicant"), seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to transport passengers in special operations over irregular routes between health care facilities in the Metropolitan District, on the one hand, and, on the other, points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 passengers or less including the driver. */

Applicant's proposed operations would be conducted in two vans configured to accommodate four passengers including two confined to wheelchairs. The vans would be specially equipped with the following features: aluminum ramps, seat belts, wheelchair securing systems, and air conditioning. The vans have been ordered.

Care Access plans to operate seven days a week (including holidays) between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Applicant's proposed tariff indicates a round-trip weekday charge of \$55 for trips of 20 miles or less plus \$1 for each mile in excess of 20 miles. The one-way weekday charge for trips of 20 miles or less would be \$27.50 plus \$1 for each mile in excess of 20 miles. Weekend and holiday rates would increase by \$10 for round-trip and \$5 for one-way trips, with the \$1 charge for trips in excess of 20 miles remaining the same. A \$15 cancellation fee would apply to weekday trips. The cancellation fee on weekends and holidays would be \$25.

Care Access submitted a balance sheet dated March 3, 1988, which reflects \$10,000 in cash and \$9,410 in fixed assets, no liabilities and \$19,410 in equity. A projected operating statement for the first 12 months of WMATC operations estimates operating income of \$121,440, and operating expenses of \$96,372 yielding net income of \$25,068 after allowance for depreciation and taxes.

*/ To the extent that this application could be interpreted to include transportation between points located solely within the Commonwealth of Virginia, the application is dismissed for want of jurisdiction pursuant to the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 1(b).

Pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 4(b) of the Compact, this application will be scheduled for public hearing to determine if the applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform properly the proposed service and abide by regulatory requirements and to determine whether the public convenience and necessity require the proposed service.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

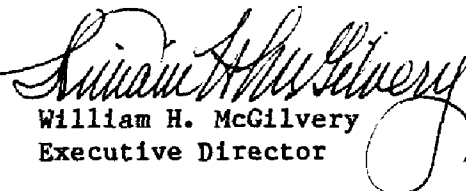
1. That a public hearing in Case No. AP-88-07, is being hereby scheduled to commence, Tuesday, April 26, 1988, at 9:30 a.m. in the hearing room of the Commission, 1625 I Street, N.W., Room 314, Washington, D.C. 20006.

2. That the applicant shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District notice of this application and the hearing thereon in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission no later than Wednesday, March 30, 1988, and present at the hearing an affidavit of said publication.

3. That any person desiring to protest this application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule No. 14, or any person desiring to be heard on this matter shall so notify the Commission in writing no later than Friday, April 15, 1988, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or notice on applicant's attorney, Vernon A. Williams, Esq., 2041 Martin Luther King, Jr., Avenue, S.E., Suite 301, Washington, D.C. 20020.

4. That the applicant is hereby assessed \$450 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact, and is directed to deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, 1625 I Street, N.W., Suite 316, Washington, D.C. 20006, no later than Friday, April 15, 1988.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


William H. McGilvery
Executive Director